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LAKELAND MP SHANNON STUBBS joined Lac La Biche - St. Paul - Two Hills MLA David Hanson, Chestermere - Rocky View MLA Leela Aheer, Olds - Didsbury - Three Hills MLA Nathan Cooper, Wildrose leader Brian Jean and Bonnyville - Cold Lake MLA Scott Cyr on stage at the Feb. 17 'Alberta Talks' dinner and discussion at the Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre.

'Alberta Talks' with Wildrose leader, MLAs in Elk Point

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Wildrose leader Brian Jean and Wildrose MLAs David Hanson, Lac La Biche - St. Paul - Two Hills, Scott Cyr, Bonnyville - Cold Lake, Nathan Cooper, Olds - Didsbury - Three Hills and Leela Aheer, Chestermere - Rocky View, were met by a near-capacity crowd when they visited the Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre on Friday, Feb. 17 for their 'Alberta Talks' dinner and discussion.

"We're the strongest opposition in Alberta in 30 years," Jean told the crowd, adding that he has "traveled the province for nine months and heard what Albertans had to say," before going on to thank the organizers of the fundraising dinner and auction.

Jean is "very proud to be from Fort McMurray and Alberta. It's the greatest place in the world, with great people. Canada is the greatest country to live, work, play and raise your family, and the greatest place in Canada is Alberta."

However, he said, in his travels "corner to corner across the province I have seen desperation in the eyes of innocent victims of New Democrat policy - businesses closing, people who have lost houses."

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County discusses Land Use Bylaw limiting livestock

JANICE HUSER
Review Staff

Talk around changes to the Land Use Bylaw, in relation to the number of livestock allowed on certain sized parcels of land, was discussed at length during County of St. Paul council's regular monthly meeting on Feb. 14.

According to the current Land Use Bylaw, there are limits placed on parcels of land less than 20 acres in size. For example, three cows, or three horses, or 20 rabbits, or five sheep, or one pig, would be allowed for every four acres of land, according to the chart included in the LUB.

Council was faced with an issue that arose in June of 2016, where a County of St. Paul landowner approached council in a bid to see an exception made in regards to the number of livestock being kept on a parcel of land in St. Brides.

After appearing to side with the landowner with the livestock following the initial meeting, the majority of

council switched views on the issue following the July meeting. A residence and business are located near the parcel of land in question.

At the time, it was noted that there were concerns about the proximity of the pens to the house located next to the store, and also concerns about the proximity of the livestock to the water well, used by the store owners.

A bylaw to amend the LUB to allow the farmer to keep more livestock than what is normally allowed, was defeated at that time, with a recorded vote being taken.

Planning and Development Officer Krystle Fedoretz brought the item back to council this month, as requested. She said she spoke with neighbouring municipalities to see if there was any consistency in bylaws that restrict the number of animals allowed on certain sized parcels of land, but it appears that there really isn't any consistency, she reported.

The only thing that was consistent was that most municipalities only regulate parcels of land smaller

than 10 acres in size, which means the County of St. Paul is more restrictive in its bylaw, having the number set higher at 20 acres.

She asked council if they would rather look at how land is zoned, or continue to consider the size of parcel as the deciding factor. For example, "Do we want to allow horses in Country residential?" she asked.

"One size doesn't fit all," said Coun. Cliff Martin, following the initial report by Fedoretz. She then went over a number of examples with council, showing them several real properties within the municipality that offered questionable scenarios.

"Do you want livestock near urban areas?" she asked council, when showing them one example.

Fedoretz proposed a mix between area and zoning, which would include restricting livestock on parcels less than two acres in size, with an exception to chickens, since they are allowed in urban settings, and only restricting livestock number when dealing with parcels between two and 10 acres.

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'Communication is number one,' RCMP advises Rural Crime Watchers at AGM

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Greater Lakeland Rural Crime Watch held their 2017 Annual General Meeting on Feb. 16, with a disappointing lack of members in attendance, despite increased attendance at regular meetings during the year.

President Orest Sereda, who was later reelected by acclamation for another term, said that GLRCW "informed, entertained, spent money and earned money" during the past year, and recently sent five members to the provincial association's AGM, where they were informed by four speakers and entertained by a comedian. Sereda said he was sorry to learn that Sgt. Barry LaRocque is leaving Elk Point, and thanked him and both Elk Point and St. Paul RCMP Detachments, Fish and Wildlife and the GLRCW volunteers for their efforts over the past year.

One of the major projects over the past year has been contacting the long list of members to determine their interest in continuing to be part of the group, and to update their contact information in preparation for the transition to a new form of fan-out system, as the current system no longer works, is costly to maintain, and would require purchasing a new computer.

"Take care of yourselves, get to know your neighbours and watch out for them, and stay safe," he urged.

Duane Fleming of Fish and Wildlife reported that because hunting season was quiet this past year, probably due to mild weather, with pouring rain and no snow. With no wildlife crimes to date, he has not used

the sign purchased by the group to gather information. Ice fishing has been "pretty steady" across the region. The fish kill at Stoney Lake was uneven, caused by "just enough algae bloom" and weather conditions that included wind distributing it to various areas of the lake, "and we can't evaluate it yet." Until the evaluation occurs, it will be catch and release, he said. The camera donated to his office by St. Paul Royal Canadian Legion and lens donated by GLRCW is working well, Fleming said, and "We caught a bunch of people fishing, and found they were on a sturgeon monitoring program."

RCMP Sgt. James Morton said he feels there is still interest in Rural Crime Watch, and when he ran the Two Hills Detachment and attended their RCW annual meetings, "there was huge attendance, and they asked what the police were doing about rural property crime," so we discussed how to better work together to prevent crime." One suggestion, he said, is to "make more effective use of technology by something that already exists: cell phones and social media, by setting up a group and administrators."

Many people are comfortable with the fan-out system, "but we need to embrace technology, and 'text to a land line' is one option. The information isn't so sensitive that it needs to be protected," Morton said. He suggested that GLRCW find a solution that other RCWs could use. "We have to evolve or die, we have to figure out how to do more with less fiscally."

Morton also suggested asking members what they expect from Rural Crime Watch, and noted that

"Communication is number one; we expect communication, so get out and communicate."

Morton also offered members some tips on preventing identity theft, including using prepaid Visa cards for online shopping, never giving out one's driver's license number, checking one's credit report often, and occasionally purposely typing in the wrong PIN number on credit or debit card transactions to ensure that the cards are secure.

The election of officers for the coming year saw secretary Delores Zacharuk and treasurer Anna Leskiw also returned by acclamation, while Randy Diesel was tentatively chosen as vice president, pending his acceptance, as will last year's directors Dennis Heffernan and Logan Gardippe. Darrell May agreed to be the third director.

The coming year will once again see the group sponsor the annual RCMP Road Race, which was cancelled last year due to the Fort McMurray forest fire, and St. Paul's volunteer banner program. Sereda and Diesel are looking into ways to renovate the GLRCW parade float to raise the deck and prevent the skirting from dragging on the street.

Sereda told the members that he is looking into "the fan-out of the future," a program called 'OneCallNow,' which can contact members by email, phone or text and can accommodate attachments on the emails. The program has the ability to do a complete fan-out through a smartphone or a tablet. More information on this program and its suitability will be brought to the next meeting, which is slated for April 20 in Elk Point.

Brian Jean

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"Calgary used to be the economic engine of Alberta, now there is 10 per cent unemployment, and office towers with 30 per cent vacancy. They would give free rent on those offices, but there are no contracts being signed."

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decision was made, "we can do it, but it requires gumption."

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anything back."

Time for change is "of the essence," Jean said. Premier Rachel Notley "will call an election when we're not ready. We can't let our guard down, we have to be ready, and we are, and we will be."

"I believe the best days are in front of us. We can take back our province, lower taxes, lower the amount of red tape and create an incredible economy. That's what I see as our future. It's time we took back our province and created the Alberta advantage."

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February 28, 2017

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Chelsey Troben
Development Authority Officer



JUNIOR 4-H MEMBER Shaylyn Klatt talked about the care and feeding of rabbits in her presentation, 'Hippity Hop.'



PHEASANT PROJECT MEMBER Darianna Boorse centred her presentation on the birds she enjoyed raising for the first time last year.

Elk Point 4-H Multi Club members are enthusiastic communicators

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point 4-H Multi Club may be much smaller than in previous years, but their 2017 Communications Event showed plenty of enthusiasm and talent, with the two senior members, MacKenzie and Morgan Evans, both part of the event's planning committee, taking on the role of Mistress of Ceremonies and Impromptu teller.

Junior member Jove Boorse provided an information-packed speech on the early days of railway locomotion, entitled 'Steam Powered,' and later gave an impromptu on 'My Favourite Farm Animal,' the dog.

Juniors Shaylyn Klatt and Darianna Boorse chose to do presentations rather than speeches. Shaylyn spoke on and demonstrated the care and feeding of pet rabbits in her presentation, 'Hippity Hop,' and placed first in the category. Darianna, who was part of the 4-H Pheasant project last year, spoke from experience about the 'Ring Necked Pheasant,' and showed some of the equipment required to raise the birds to the age when they can be released into the wild, placing second. Presenters are not required to provide impromptus.

Following a short break for the final calculations, Robyn Ockerman spoke on behalf of fellow judges Doris Pindroch and Erin Wells, congratulating the speaker and presenters on an outstanding effort in an event that she finds to be "always exciting." She told the 4-Hers that 4-H Public Speaking "will help you

more than you ever imagine" in later life, and whether they are speaking one-on-one or to a crowd, it will allow them to speak confidently.

Following the presentation of certificates to the winners, the club's Cleaver member, Shyanne Klatt, presented the judges with gifts of appreciation. A pasta dinner followed the awards.



CERTIFICATES OF SUCCESS - Shaylyn Klatt, Jove Boorse and Darianna Boorse proudly display their ribbons and certificates at the conclusion of the Communications Event.



JUNIOR SPEAKER Jove Boorse explored the history of steam power in his informative speech at the 4-H Multi Club Communications Event.

Land Use

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Although Coun. Maxine Fodness brought up the issue of manure management near water wells and residences, it was noted that the County of St. Paul couldn't regulate manure management, since that falls under a provincial body.

"What we have regulation over is use of the land," said Fedoretz, who then asked, "Do we want to allow livestock between two and 10 acres for residential?"

Coun. Glen Ockerman noted that most people that have 10 acres of land have it so that they can have some animals, and use animals as a form of grass management.

"If chickens are allowed on a town lot, I think it's justifiable to allow a pig," said Ockerman, noting the animals are likely being used to help feed a family.

The proposal would

restrict lots zones are Country Residential 2 from having any livestock on them, since those lots of mostly within subdivisions, and near lakes.

Coun. Maxine Fodness noted that along with livestock, there are waste and feed to deal with, which could be an issue in a country residential setting. She added that people who live and purchase property in a country residential area expect a certain lifestyle, which likely wouldn't involve livestock.

If residents want to have a farm, they should buy farm land, it was noted, which then lead to the discussion on no livestock allowed at all on CR1 or CR2 zoned lots, or in urban areas, with the exception of chickens.

"What about a 4-H calf?" asked Coun. Laurent Amyotte. He further questioned the notion, saying, "What if you have four kids?"

By the end of the dis-

cussion, council did come to a consensus on the idea that any agricultural zoned land would be excluded from regulations, and livestock wouldn't be allowed in residential areas.

Administration will be drafting wording for council's considera-

tion that will allow only domestic animals and six chickens on urban and country residential parcels, including CR1 and CR2.

"We will propose no limit on agriculture zoned parcels," said Kitz, after the meeting.



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- March 13th in Mallaig from 1:30pm-3:30pm at the Seniors Centre
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EDITORIAL

Busy March coming right up

Whether it roars in like a lion or trots in quietly like a lamb, March will be here tomorrow, and what a busy March we have in store.

At least one of our Minor Hockey teams is headed out of town to provincials, and teams from all over the province are headed here when we host the Midget Provincials at the end of the month.

Added to that, we have the Vintage Snowmobile Show and Sine this weekend, and the annual Ice Carnival the following Saturday. All those events are made possible because of the efforts of volunteers, and every one of those groups probably wouldn't turn down anyone who'd like to help them.

Let's keep the Random Acts of Kindness coming in - help out a volunteer group in March!

RECREATION CORNER

Midget hockey Provincials come to town in March

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Review Contributor

Did you know... the Midget Avalanche are hosting Provincials at the end of March? It's going to be a very exciting time in our town with loads of new visitors coming to the community. Of course we want to showcase the town as best possible, so if you have some free time and want to help volunteer, please contact Doug at 780-645-8372. It's not just the arena that'll be benefiting from the influx of activity, but restaurants, retail stores and the town as a whole will benefit.

If you want to make sure you're seen and our guests know who you are, contact Lori at 780-227-1753 to get an ad in the Provincials brochure. Great price and it'll be distributed to all 150 kids in the tournaments, as well as their parents, grandparents, and fans from all over.

Grant deadline date approaching

The Rec Department has been busy at the start of the year helping non-profits discover funding opportunities. That calls for a reminder that the Town's Community Grant applications are due March 16 at 12 Noon. Email recreation@elkpoint.ca.

We understand most of the groups are made up of volunteers, who work exceptionally hard to keep the programs and facilities running. That's why we want to help make applying for grants and finding funding as easy as possible.

One fantastic opportunity is Canada Day. The Rec Department and the Canada Day Committee cannot put on the event without the help of volunteers. We are looking for non-profit groups to come forward to help. We will pay for your services and there are opportunities to make quite a lot of money.

Without the help of the entire community great events are simply not possible. Canada Day is one of the most celebrated days on the calendar for Elk Point. People travel from all over because they know our community puts on such a fantastic event. We are always welcoming new committee members, fresh ideas and volunteers.

Please attend our next meeting if you are interested in helping, March 21 at 6 p.m. at Council Chambers or call/text 780-207-5898 to talk money making opportunities.



WAY BACK WHEN...

Salt plant rumors, dogsled mail, bringing back elk to Elk Point

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE ELK POINT REVIEW AND LAKELAND REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 27 IN...

1987

Rumors that the Canadian Salt Plant at Lindbergh was closing were quashed by spokesman Tom Melnyk, who said, "there is nothing of the kind on the horizon. The plant is producing more salt now than ever." Town council passed a parking bylaw prohibiting parking on the west side of 51 Street in front of A. G. Ross Arena.

1992

Commemorative mail arrived by dogsled after a grueling trip through the winter's worst weather, but was two days late for the Fur Trappers' Ball, where Rob Holliday's Bicentennial song had its debut, sung by Dennis, Heffernan, Ed Poulin, Sam Donaldson and Holliday, accompanied by Gabe Bayduza on accordion. Elk Point Chamber of Commerce instituted a new Retail Merchants Special Events Committee, Vern King its first chairman.

1997

Elk Point Scouting Association celebrated the movement's 90th birthday at their annual family banquet and cake auction where Beaver Colin Routhier, Cub Garret Zarowny and Scout Mathew Zarowny had the award winning cakes. County fire protection efforts were boosted by the donation of a 1989 fire truck with an 1,800 gallon water capacity from Norcen Energy Resources.

2002

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce passed a motion of support for the Alberta Cow-Calf Association's bid to have wildlife harvest preserves established in Alberta, which keynote speaker Harvey Aarbo said

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cold "put the elk back in Elk Point." Even if funding were available, there likely wouldn't be a physiotherapist willing to fill the vacancy at Elk Point Health Centre, Aspen Health rehabilitation managers told the Elk Point Interagency Health Committee

2007

"We need to get together and come up with a firm plan to promote business," Shirley Harms told fellow members, following her decision at the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce annual meeting to take the role of vice-president of that organization for the coming year,



4-H MULTI CLUB PUBLIC SPEAKING - Tyler Ockerman presents the ATB Financial trophy to first place senior Robyn Ockerman. Other winners, left to right, were Hillary Dallaire, Alanna Ockerman, Taylor Cochrane and Ashton Ewasiuk.

2012

Entries from as far away as Vancouver, BC were trickling in for the Second Annual Jim Vinge Memorial Hockey Tournament, with organizers hoping for a few more before the March 7 draft when captains would pick their teams from a pool of players with varying amounts of experience. Elk Point 4-H Multi Club hosted a Country Fair at the Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre on Family Day weekend, with games, goodies, visits with Cleaver the 4-H Beaver and a rompin', stompin', country style hoedown all part of the fun and festivities.

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F. G. MILLER HIGH MARKS PINK DAY - There weren't as many pink shirts in evidence as in previous years, but the quest to end bullying was still a high priority for the P.U.P. group and their friends.



ELK POINT ELEMENTARY students also wore pink on Wednesday, including this group from Miss Ockerman and Mrs. Stuparyk's Grade 3A class. More photos, Page 11
Diane Dewan photo.

Busy weekend for Avalanche teams

INFORMATION SUBMITTED

Micro Novice

Carrie Baumgardner reports: "Our Micro-Novice team was in Bonnyville to play the Pontiacs Sunday night for a 4:45 game. Although we lost 10-5, it was a great game. Our players typically only play two periods but this game they played a third period (because Bonnyville had extra ice time). We were down two players (for a total of eight) so they did very well considering they each had a lot of extra ice time! There was also a shoot-out at the end that the kids really enjoyed and did well at. Two goals each for Remington Reynolds and Jaxon Smith and one for Thomas Melnyk in this one.

Novice 1A

Tara Cameron reports that "Our final weekend of hockey for Novice

1A was a challenging one. We played Lac La Biche 2 Saturday in Elk Point, losing 10-4 with two goals for Madden Flamand and one each for Trace Morgan and Sebastien Brousseau and one assist each for Trace and Wyatt Fontaine, with Raif Evans-Anderson in net. On Sunday we travelled to Lac La Biche to play Lac La Biche 1 and lost 12-3. A hat trick for Madden, with two assists for Wyatt, and one for Trace. Sebastien did a great job facing a lot of shots in net."

Atoms advance

Elk Point's Atoms defeated Lac La Biche 13-3 to win the series in two games and advance to the league championship round. Sorry, no scoring details available.

Bantams

The Bantam Avalanche suffered a tough 5-2 defeat at Boyle to lose the provincial final series

by a 7-5 total. In the first game, here at home on Saturday, Elk Point won by a single point, with Jaden Van Maarion scoring two goals in the first period, assisted by Charlie Rogal in the first and Liam Ludlage in the second, with that same trio adding the third marker in the second period, this time with Charlie scoring off assists by Jaden and Liam. The one point lead was not enough to make up the deficit when they traveled to Boyle on Sunday, when only two Avalanche goals made it past the Boyle netminder, Jaden scoring the first, assisted by Liam and Charlie, and Charlie assisting brother Hank in the second, both of those goals coming early in the first period to take a 2-0 lead that the Boyle squad obliterated with four goals later in that period, adding another in the dying seconds of the game.

Elk Point skaters go for gold in Bonnyville

MELISSA SKARSEN
Elk Point Skating Club

On February 11 a number of up and coming figure skaters with Elk Point Skating Club attended the Canslate Fun Meet in Bonnyville, Alberta.

These skaters are ranging from pre-canslate up to the junior level, and where all very excited for their first competition. The skaters have been preparing for the event since the beginning of January, and all their hard work showed through on

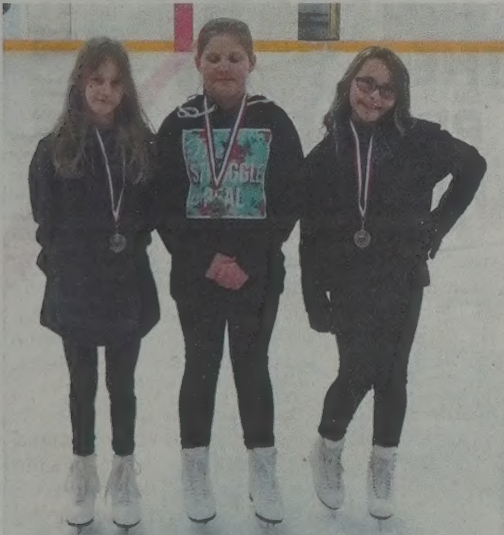
the day of competition.

Those that attended were Paynton Skarsen, Amrie Sanders, Kouper Tizzard, Iva Matanovic, Hailey Danyluk, Aspyr Kelly, Brooklyn Devries and Robin Koren.

"This is a great opportunity for beginning skaters to begin to get a feel for the competition side of figure skating, and all the kids skated through the nerves and gave a great performance," states coach Tracy Doctor. "I am very proud of all the skaters."

The skaters are now all very busy getting ready for their upcoming ice show in March.

FIRST-TIME COMPETITORS - left to right: Amrie Sanders, Kouper Tizzard, Hailey Danyluk, Paynton Skarsen and Aspyr Kelly with their medals.



SHOWING OFF THEIR MEDALS were, left to right: Iva Matanovic, Brooklyn Devries and Robin Koren.



Elks lead semifinal series 3 - 1

VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

Elk Point Elks lead the semifinal round of SaskAlta Hockey League playoffs by a 3-1 margin, with Hillmond Hitmen coming back with a do-or-die 5-1 win on Saturday night after the Elks won three games straight in the best-of-seven series.

The first game of the series, in Elk Point on Feb. 17, was looking good for the Hitmen, who had a 2-0 lead as the third period drew near the end. With the visitors already one man short on a 10-minute misconduct, a scuffle in front of the Hillmond net gave them another pair of penalties, one of them to the goalie, who was determined to have an equipment violation. Scott Ward, assisted by Jason Kalynchuk, and Jordyn Wozniak, assisted by Myles Whitford, sent two goals past the replacement goalie in a minute and 22 seconds, sending the game into overtime, where Chevy Botting, assisted by Ben Blacklock and Wozniak, broke the tie in just 51 seconds.

The Elks headed for Hillmond on Wednesday, Feb. 22, and opened the scoring with four first period goals by Lee Letestu, assisted by Botting and Wozniak, Dyson Karbaszewski, assisted by Matthew Boulianne and Whitford, Sean Joly, assisted by Botting, and Ward, assisted by Boulianne and Whitford. The Hitmen hit the scoreboard early in the second, with Letestu, assisted by Devin Moneta and Wozniak, quick to reply. The Hitmen would add a second at mid-period and another right off the third period faceoff, but Whitford would score another for the Elks in short order to give the Elks a 6-3 win.

Returning to Elk Point last Friday for Game Three, Hillmond would score their first of the evening just 1:23 into the game. Whitford would even the score two and a half minutes later off an assist by John Schmitt, with Botting moving the Elks into the lead a minute and a half later, off helpers from Wozniak and Jason Kalynchuk. Schmitt, assisted by Wozniak and Karbaszewski, and Ward, assisted by Zach Zarowny, added another pair 43 seconds apart at the end of the first frame. Botting scored the Elks' final goal of the evening early in the second, with helpers from Letestu and Kalynchuk, with the Hitmen adding a second goal at mid-period. Both goalies shut the gate at that point, the score remaining 5-2 in the Elks' favour to the final buzzer.

The Elks traveled to Hillmond on Saturday, where the Hitmen were again first on the scoreboard, with Ward, assisted by Mark Brodwin and Whitford, tying the score at one late in the period. Hillmond added the only goal in the second period and went on to score another three in the third, keeping the playoff series alive for another week.

The Elks will take on the Hitmen here in Elk Point on Friday night at 8:30 p.m.



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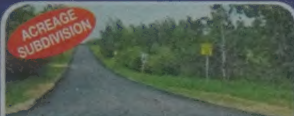
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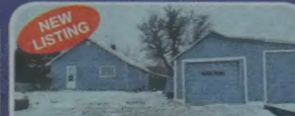
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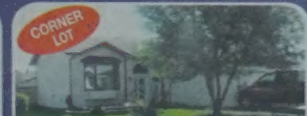
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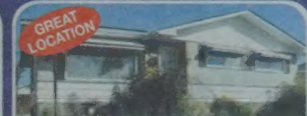
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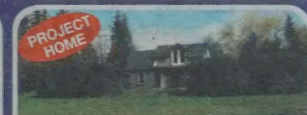
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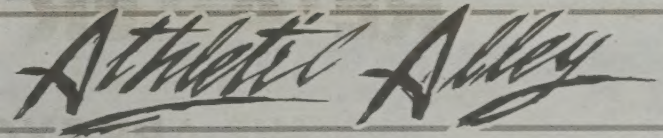
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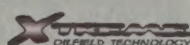


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Boscombe hosts 4-H District Communications

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

The top speakers and presenters from seven clubs in the St. Paul 4-H District took to the stage in Regional High School's Fine Arts Theatre on Sunday to impress the judges with their skills at the District Communication Day.

Eighteen speakers representing three age groups started off the day with prepared speeches on topics ranging from steam power and Barbie dolls to work ethic and beef marketing, and returned after enjoying a lunch prepared by PS Catering to add impromptu speeches to their scores.

At the end of the day, Kristina Kotowich of St. Paul Multi Club, whose prepared speech, 'The Upside of Life' dealt with her choice to find the positive in every situation and whose impromptu gave both pro and con arguments on the presence of police in schools, placed first in the Senior group. Devan Bailey of Boscombe Multi Club, with an overview of the oil industry's 'Booms and Busts' as his prepared speech topic and his views on the provincial government as an impromptu, placed second. Also competing in the senior category were Heidi Tymko, Elk Point Beef, Ashley Hunter, St. Paul Light Horse and Tyler Jodoin, St. Lina Beef Club. Their speeches were judged by Jerred Moore, Oralee Williams and Robert Tymofichuk.

The closest race of the day was in the Intermediate category, with Carson Dechaine of Boscombe, with his very enthusiastic prepared speech on 'Baseball' and his impromptu on 'The Best Kind of Teacher' placing first, while Ravessa Fejzullai and Kailey Wirsta went to a second round of impromptu to break a tie score. Ravessa, whose prepared speech called procrastination 'A Different Kind of Work Ethic' and whose impromptu told 'What Mom Means to Me,' was declared the winner after both girls spoke on 'Looking after my brother/sister for a day.' Kailey's speech, entitled 'A Jack of All Trades' told of the many skills needed to succeed as a rancher, while her impromptu told "How I Would Promote 4-H to My Friends." Also competing in the Intermediate group, which was judged by Renée Moore, Laurent Amyotte and Jeanelle Richard, were Sandra Whitehead, St. Lina Beef, Sydnee Kwiatkowski, Goodridge Beef, and Katelyn Boratyniec, St. Paul Light Horse.

Addison Graling of St. Paul Multi was first in the Junior division, with a humorous recounting of a typical morning at her house, in 'A Morning Done Right,' followed up by an impromptu on 'What I Like Best About Winter.' Second place went to Dawson Dechaine of Boscombe Multi, who told of his knife-making attempts in 'Forging' and of his pleasant adventures at 'Camp' in his impromptu. Other junior com-



ST. PAUL DISTRICT'S TOP COMMUNICATORS - Left to right are Junior speech runner-up Dawson Dechaine, winner Addison Graling; Intermediate runner-up Ravessa Fejzullai, winner Carson Dechaine, Senior runner-up Devan Bailey, winner Kristina Kotowich; Junior presentation runner-up Shaylyn Klatt, winner Tyson Kotowich, Intermediate runner-up Lexi Wirsta, winner Rebecca Kotowich and Senior winner Megan Kotowich. The winners qualify to go on to the Regional Communications Event in Lac La Biche on Saturday, March 4.

petitors were Jove Boorse, Elk Point Multi, Kaitlynn Jacula, Goodridge Beef, Jayci Marcoux, Elk Point Beef, Alayna Dechaine, St. Lina Beef and Anya Martin, St. Paul Light Horse, with their category judged by Guy Bonneau, Angele Looy and David Hanson.

The day wrapped up with presentations by three members of St. Paul Multi and two members of Elk Point Multi. Megan Kotowich, St. Paul Multi, was the lone Senior competitor and gave a presentation on 'Defined Beauty,' exploring cosmetology from the Egyptians to the present day, complete with power point illustrations.

First place in the Intermediate presentations went to Rebecca Kotowich, St. Paul Multi, whose 'Stop, Think, Stay Alive' set included large cutouts of a cow and calf, a tractor and baler and a variety of chemicals as she pointed out the hazards each can pose. Second place

went to Lexi Wirsta, of Elk Point Beef, who donned racing silks and demonstrated the equipment needed by a jockey in her presentation on 'Race Day.'

The stage was turned into a snowy lake, complete with ice fishing tents, tackle and snack food boxes, a campfire with fish suspended above it, and a block of real ice in which first place winner Tyson Kotowich, St. Paul Multi, drilled a hole with a hand auger and subsequently pulled out a fish as he demonstrated how to 'Wiggle a Worm to Hook 'Em and Cook 'Em.' Second place went to Shaylyn Klatt, Elk Point Multi, who demonstrated the care and feeding of rabbits in 'Hippity Hop.'

Haley Dechaine of the host Boscombe Multi Club served as MC for the day, with Erin Wells and D'Arcy Evans as timers, Kevin Bernhardt and Leanne Betts as timers and Barry Sallstrom as impromptu coordinator.

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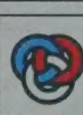
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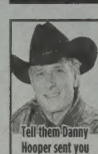
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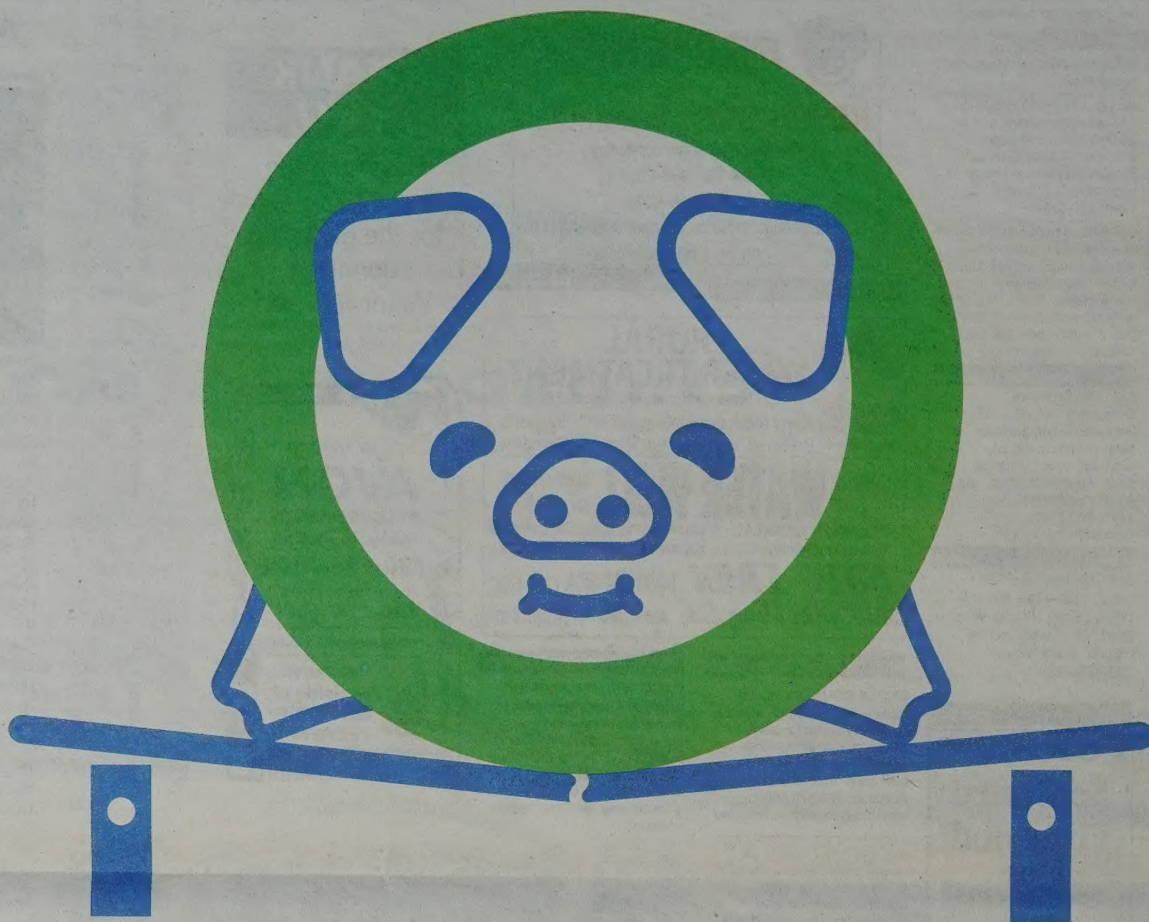
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